## MSFC Safety Bulletin

## **Take The Time To Cross Safely**

## What Happened?

- Nothing...yet!
- As drivers, we aren't always aware of pedestrians our vision is blocked, we're distracted, or we just didn't expect to see anyone crossing the street.
- Life is hectic. As pedestrians, we sometimes ignore crossing signals, don't pay attention to traffic around us, or simply forget to look both ways before stepping into the roadway.
- On average, 5,000 pedestrians are killed each year.
  An amazing 60% of them are working adults!
- 85,000 pedestrians are injured every year.
- In a typical 8-hour workday, 4 to 5 pedestrians are struck by a vehicle and killed.

## What Can Be Done?

- Use designated crossing areas.
- Remember that pedestrians only have the right-ofway in <u>marked crosswalks</u>.
- As drivers, stay alert for pedestrians at all times.



Make sure drivers can see you.

Be safe.

**Be smart.** 

Be seen.

Be aware of the new electric vehicles being operated on MSFC streets. They are very quiet!

For more information, see safety.fhwa.dot.gov/pedcampaign/guide.htm.